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Senate

The Senate met at 12 noon and was called to order by the President pro tempore [Mr. THURMOND].

PRAYER

The Chaplain, Dr. Lloyd John Ogilvie, offered the following prayer:

God of hope, we need Your vibrant optimism. Our own optimism is like a teabag: we never know how strong it is until we get into hot water. It is in times of frustrations or adversity that our optimism is tested. When the process of human efforts grinds slowly and people disturb our pace of progress, our attitudes are given a litmus test. Often our realism too soon turns to resignation. We expect far too little and receive it. Transform our experienced pessimism into expectant hope. So often we live as if we had to carry the burdens alone. Today we relinquish any negative thoughts to You and receive a fresh infusion of Your hope. Hope through us today, O God of hope. Make us people who are a lift and not a load, a blessing and not a burden. Through our Lord and Savior. Amen.

RECOGNITION OF THE MAJORITY LEADER

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. The able majority leader, Senator LOTT of Mississippi, is recognized.

Mr. LOTT. Good morning, Mr. President.

SCHEDULE

Mr. LOTT. Mr. President, today the Senate will be conducting a period of morning business until the hour of 2 p.m. this afternoon. Beginning then at 2, the Senate will begin 3 hours of further debate on the FAA reauthorization conference report. In accordance with the previous agreement, a cloture vote will occur on the conference report at 10 a.m. tomorrow morning. I urge all my colleagues to plan their schedules accordingly. This is a very important matter. I hope all Members will be present for this key cloture vote.

Of course, we expect that there is a likelihood that there will be a final

vote later on in the day. Perhaps that will wind up being a voice vote, but we have to assume at this point it will be a recorded vote. I hope if cloture is invoked Thursday, the Senate will be able to complete the action certainly in a timely manner.

Senators should be aware that roll-call votes are still possible during today's session on any other legislative matters that are in the clearance process. I hope that we will be able to get some noncontroversial issues cleared. That process has slowed down markedly, but we are still hoping and working so that we can get some done that are supported on both sides of the aisle. We are working on that as we speak.

It is also my hope that an agreement can be reached with respect to the parks legislation. Meetings have been occurring this morning. There is communication underway between Senator MURKOWSKI, Democratic Senators, and

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